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Re: *Diffraction Optical Element Patent Application*

Dear Volker:

As you may know, in order to add Will Menchine's name to the U.S. counterpart application on the Diffraction Optical Element Patent, we need to obtain a retroactive foreign filing license from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. In the petition for that license, we are required to explain how Mr. Menchine's name was left off the patent application in the first instance. I have therefore prepared a draft declaration for your signature describing the facts that led to this omission.

It is very important that this be entirely accurate. It is quite likely that you will be subjected to deposition questioning regarding what you have stated in this declaration. Accordingly, please read this carefully and make sure that I have recited the facts correctly. Any changes or amendment you think might be necessary, you can fax back to me. I will then prepare a final version and send it to you for your signature. If no changes are necessary, you can simply sign the declaration and send it to me by air courier.

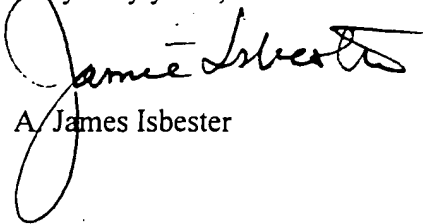
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Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "James Isbester". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning and end.

A. James Isbester

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cc: Charles Krueger (w/encl.)

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Re: *Diffraction Optical Element Patent Application, U.S. Pat. Appl. Serial No.  
08/836,369 -- Raytek Corporation*

Dear Mr. McCulloch:

You may recall that we spoke many months ago regarding certain applications Raytek was pursuing in the United States based upon patent applications first filed in Germany. You were then handling these U.S. applications on behalf of Michael Tetzner. I would now like to request your assistance on a minor matter flowing from that work.

In the course of litigation, we have discovered that the list of inventors of the above-referenced patent application is incomplete. We are now seeking to amend the application to add additional inventors, including an inventor located in the United States. Because one of the inventors is in the United States, we need to obtain a retroactive foreign filing license. Under Patent Office rules, the petition for a retroactive foreign filing license must be supported by evidence explaining how the mistake came about in the first place. To meet this requirement, I have prepared a declaration for your signature. I would appreciate your reviewing the declaration and faxing to me any changes or additions you feel necessary in order that it be completely accurate. I will then prepare a final version and send it to you for your signature. Alternatively, if the declaration is acceptable as is, please sign it and mail it to me.